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The junior class puts on "A Night Under The Stars" for the seniors. Pg. 6

[HONORS BANQUET]

By Kayleen Stevens

"Being kind is better than being clever" was the theme from the keynote speaker, Dr. John Floros, KSU Dean of Agriculture, at the 55th Annual KU/KSU Honors Banquet.

Stephen Kirk began the night with a welcome to the students and families to the evening events, followed by the invocation, by Franklin Ruff, and meal which was catered by the Blonde Grill.

Following the meal, representatives from Kansas University, Katie Law, and Kansas State University, Mac Benavides, greeted the students, giving information about their perspective colleges. Both Law and Benavides gave students helpful information about the paths that are available to the students and which they thought the students should be looking to follow.

Superintendent of school Darin Headrick spoke to the students about the benefits of listening to those who have been successful, following their lead in what they learned from their failures as well as their successes, specifically focusing on the Amazon founder, Jeff Bezos.

Floros then spoke to the 52 Kiowa County High School students who had achieved this year's Honor Roll, about what it takes to succeed. What the trends are and how if you really wanted to benefit the world you should get involved in agriculture somehow.

After Floros's speech, KCHS Principal Randy Fulton, Randy and KCHS Counselor Melanie Deterding, handed

out the awards, honoring the students in attendance.

Those receiving the honors were as follows:

(Freshmen) Nicole Ballard, Madison Brensing, Joshua Cannon, Frank Cuevas, Stephanie Gwin, Mackenzie Kendall, James Little, Jenner Little, Kylee Morford, Morgan Powell, Tierra West and Janessa Zenger, (sophomores) Melanie Brown, Brylee Conrad, Landon Davis, Kelsi Francis, Aaron Heft, McKenzie Heft, Dylan Jacks, Marissa Kendall, Shayna Lingafelter, Tatum McKinney, Jansen Miller, Kaitlin Ross, Benjamin Spainhour, Natalie Stewart, Morgan Ulrich, Aubrey VandenHoek, (juniors) Xander Brensing, Hannah Brown, Madison Cannon, Samantha Gwin, Garrett

Kaltenbach, Cole Kendall, Miranda Kimble, Chelsey Racette, Denisse Ramos, LaTosha Tuttle, Jessie Williams, (seniors) Lexi Behee, Katelynn Gamble, Riann Heft, Lillian Hinshaw, Dena Liggett, Heather Melton, Trevor Powell, Heidee Prosser, Sierra Ralstin, Mackenzie Rose, Charity Schmidt, Patricia Torres and Corbin VandenHoek.

Along with their award from Mr. Fulton and Mrs. Deterding, ITC corporate sponsor representative Kim Goodnight presented each student with a knap sack which held a stylus and ear buds.

The evening came to a close with a thank you and response from National Honor Society President Katelynn Gamble.



Senior Heather Melton enjoys a meal with her mother and other guests at the honors banquet. Melton is one of many seniors who have been honored all four of their years at KCHS. *Photo by Corbin VandenHoek*



Students who received scholastic honors were called upon to help get guest speaker Kim Goodnight's message across to the students. *Photo by Jansen Miller*



Melanie Deterding, KCHS Counselor, presents sophomore Aaron Heft his award for his accomplishments for the year. *Photo by Corbin VandenHoek*

[THE SCOREBOARD]

[LADY MAVS]

By Jansen Miller

MINNEOLA INVITATIONAL

132 pts. First Place

100m Hurdles	Heather Melton	16.7	1st
	Stephanie Gwin	20.63	6th
100m Dash	Katelynn Gamble	13.15	1st
	Morgan Powell	13.48	2nd
	Dena Liggett	13.87	4th
1600m Run	Nicole Ballard	06:15.8	3rd
	Kaitlin Ross	06:38.0	6th
4x100m Relay A	Katelynn Gamble	52.9	1st
	Dena Liggett		
	Morgan Powell		
	Heather Melton		
4x100m Relay B	Alli Hosheit	55.65	2nd
	Kelsi Francis		
	Alissa Morford		
	Tatum McKinney		
400m Dash	Jansen Miller	01:07.8	1st
	Heidee Prosser	01:10.0	3rd
	Janessa Zenger	01:12.2	5th
3200m Run	Nicole Ballard	13:48.1	2nd
	Kaitlin Ross	15:12.2	4th
	Denisse Ramos	17:41.2	5th
200m Dash	Katelynn Gamble	28.16	1st
300m Hurdles	Stephanie Gwin	01:01.5	
4x400m Relay A	Jansen Miller	04:37.2	1st
	Riann Heft		
	Morgan Powell		
	Heather Melton		
4x400m Relay B	Janessa Zenger	05:13.8	3rd
	Kelsi Francis		
	Stephanie Gwin		
	Mackenzie Rose		
High Jump	Heather Melton	5'2"	1st
Triple Jump	Riann Heft	33'2"	1st
Long Jump	Dena Liggett	15'5.5"	1st
	Riann Heft	14'08.5"	2nd
Pole Vault	Katelynn Gamble	8'6"	2nd
	Jansen Miller	7'0"	3rd
	Mackenzie Rose	7'0"	4th
Shot Put	McKenzie Heft	31'10"	3rd
	Tierra West	28'8.5"	5th
Discus	McKenzie Heft	97'2"	1st
	Tierra West	72'9"	5th
	Melanie Brown	65'11"	6th
Javelin	McKenzie Heft	106'0"	3rd



Freshman Morgan Powell hands off in the 4x1 to senior Heather Melton during the Ashland track meet. The girls took first with a time of 52.51. **Photo by Marissa K.**

WICHITA STATE UNIVERSITY

SHOCKER PRE-STATE CHALLENGE

100m Hurdles ELITE	Heather Melton	15.89	2nd
4x100m Relay	Tatum McKinney	53.57	3rd
	Dena Liggett		
	Morgan Powell		
	Heather Melton		
1600m Run	Nicole Ballard	06:11.6	4th
	Nicole Ballard	*13:21.7	4th
3200m Run	Heidee Prosser	4:24.9	3rd
4x400m Relay	Riann Heft		
	Morgan Powell		
	Heather Melton		
High Jump ELITE	Heather Melton	5'2.25"	6th
Triple Jump	Riann Heft	32'2.25"	3rd
Pole Vault	Jansen Miller	8'5"	3rd
Shot Put	McKenzie Heft	31'2"	5th
Discus	McKenzie Heft	96'9"	2nd
Javelin	McKenzie Heft	*124'5"	1st



Sophomore Alissa Morford finishes her 200 strong after just completing the 100. Morford competes in the 100, 200, JV 4X1 and Long Jump. **Photo by Marissa K.**



Freshman Nicole Ballard sets her pace for the two mile. Ballard placed fifth at the Ashland meet with a time of 13:47.41. **Photo by Marissa K.**

ASHLAND INVITATIONAL

127 pts. First Place

100m Hurdles	Heather Melton	15.69	1st
	Brylee Conrad	19.92	6th
100m Dash	Katelynn Gamble	13.00	1st
	Dena Liggett	13.38	4th
	Morgan Powell	13.52	5th
1600m Run	Nicole Ballard	6:15.4	4th
	Kaitlin Ross	6:50.6	6th
4x100m Relay A	Katelynn Gamble	52.51	1st
	Dena Liggett		
	Morgan Powell		
	Heather Melton		
4x100m Relay B	Alli Hosheit	56.49	6th
	Natalie Stewart		
	Alissa Morford		
	Janessa Zenger		
400m Dash	Riann Heft	1:05.3	2nd
	Heidee Prosser	1:07.4	3rd
3200m Run	Nicole Ballard	13:47.4	5th
	Kaitlin Ross	14:44.5	6th
200m Dash	Katelynn Gamble	27.39	1st
	Morgan Powell	27.97	3rd
4x400m Relay A	Heather Melton	4:25.6	1st
	Morgan Powell		
	Heidee Prosser		
	Riann Heft		
4x400m Relay B	Janessa Zenger	5:13.8	3rd
	Alli Hosheit		
	Natalie Stewart		
	Stephanie Gwin		
Triple Jump	Riann Heft	33'1.75"	1st
Long Jump	Riann Heft	15'3.75"	2nd
	Dena Liggett	15'2"	3rd
Pole Vault	Katelynn Gamble	8'6"	2nd
Shot Put	McKenzie Heft	32'5.25"	4th
Discus	McKenzie Heft	98'2"	4th
Javelin	McKenzie Heft	116'	2nd

SOUTH GRAY INVITATIONAL

127 pts. First Place

100m Hurdles	Heather Melton	15.96	1st
100m Dash	Katelynn Gamble	13.35	1st
	Dena Liggett	13.61	3rd
	Morgan Powell	13.81	4th
1600m Run	Nicole Ballard	6:07.8	5th
	Kaitlin Ross	6:49.6	6th
4x100m Relay A	Katelynn Gamble	52.1	1st
	Dena Liggett		
	Morgan Powell		
	Heather Melton		
4x100m Relay B	Alli Hosheit	56.19	4th
	Kelsi Francis		
	Alissa Morford		
	Tatum McKinney		
1600 Sprint Med	Alli Hosheit	5:07.8	3rd
	Alissa Morford		
	Kelsi Francis		
	Alisha Ward		
400m Dash	Riann Heft	1:04.8	2nd
	Heidee Prosser	1:07.0	4th
3200m Run	Nicole Ballard	13:37/3	3rd
	Kaitlin Ross	14:54.1	6th
200m Dash	Morgan Powell	28.30	3rd
4x400m Relay A	Heather Melton	4:27.5	2nd
	Morgan Powell		
	Heidee Prosser		
	Riann Heft		
4x400m Relay B	Alli Hosheit	5:05.7	5th
	Kelsi Francis		
	Kaitlin Ross		
	Alisha Ward		
Triple Jump	Riann Heft	33'7.75"	1st
Long Jump	Dena Liggett	15'0.75"	1st
	Riann Heft	14'1.75"	6th
Pole Vault	Katelynn Gamble	8'6"	1st
Shot Put	McKenzie Heft	32'7.75"	3rd
Discus	McKenzie Heft	90'8.5"	2nd
	Tierra West	83'9.5"	6th
Javelin	McKenzie Heft	104'3"	4th

[MANLY MAVS]

By Heidee Prosser

MINNEOLA INVITATIONAL

V - 145 pts. First Pl. - JV 4 pts. Eighth Pl.

4x800m Relay	Justin Boswell	8:55.90	1st
	William Enfield		
	Nicholas Sears		
	Frank Cuevas		
100m Dash	Trever Powell	11.62	2nd
200m Dash	Trever Powell	23.99	2nd
400m Dash	Trever Powell	53.58	2nd
800m Run	Nicholas Sears	2:20.18	5th
	Justin Boswell	2:23.93	6th
1600m Run	Frank Cuevas	4:55.10	1st
	Justin Boswell	5:19.24	4th
3200m Run	Frank Cuevas	10:51.69	1st
	William Enfield	13:03.22	4th
110m Hurdles	Payton Miller	19.35	5th
300m Hurdles	Payton Miller	47.34	4th
4x400m Relay	Landon Davis	3:52.28	2nd
	Nicholas Sears		
	Dylan Jacks		
	Trever Powell		
Pole Vault	Payton Miller	9'6"	3rd
	Dylan Jacks	8'6"	4th
Long Jump	Landon Davis	18'11.75"	3rd
Triple Jump	Landon Davis	39'11"	2nd
Shot Put	Aaron Heft	41'4.5"	1st
	Erik Torres	40'11.5"	2nd
Discus	Erik Torres	*131'8"	1st
	Aaron Heft	116'10"	2nd
	Franko Holguin	99'5"	4th
Javelin	Brett McVey	130'7"	2nd

ASHLAND INVITATIONAL

83 pts. Second Place

4x800m Relay	Justin Boswell	8:55.47	1st
	William Enfield		
	Nicholas Sears		
	Frank Cuevas		
100m Dash	Trever Powell	11.50	2nd
200m Dash	Trever Powell	23.16	2nd
400m Dash	Trever Powell	53.98	4th
800m Run	Frank Cuevas	2:08.41	1st
1600m Run	Frank Cuevas	4:40.40	1st
4x100 Throwers Relay	Cameron Conrad	56.59	6th
	Teigan Ellegood		
	Franko Holguin		
	Sammy Cervantes		
3200m Run	Frank Cuevas	11:12.34	1st
110m Hurdles	Landon Davis	17.03	5th
300m Hurdles	Payton Miller	47.07	5th
4x400m Relay	Landon Davis	3:56.90	6th
	Nicholas Sears		
	Dylan Jacks		
	Trever Powell		
Pole Vault	Payton Miller	10'6"	3rd
Long Jump	Landon Davis	20'0.25"	5th
Triple Jump	Landon Davis	39'9.5"	2nd
High Jump	Brett McVey	5'2"	6th
Shot Put	Erik Torres	42'6"	5th
Discus	Aaro Heft	125'8"	5th

SOUTH GRAY INVITATIONAL

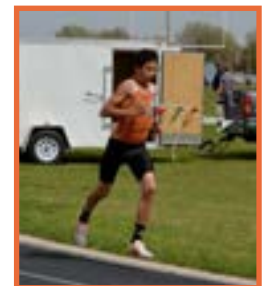
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4x800m Relay	Justin Boswell	8:46.09	1st
	William Enfield		
	Nicholas Sears		
	Frank Cuevas		
200m Dash	Trever Powell	23.85	5th
400m Dash	Trever Powell	43.73	6th
800m Run	Frank Cuevas	2:08.20	1st
1600m Spring Medley	Poncho Banman	4:08.59	1st
	Dylan Jacks		
	Daniel Smith		
	Nicholas Sears		
3200m Run	Frank Cuevas	*10:10.70	1st
110m Hurdles	Landon Davis	17.00	4th
300m Hurdles	Landon Davis	*44.28	3rd
	Payton Miller	45.82	5th
Pole Vault	Payton Miller	10'0"	3rd
	Dylan Jacks	8'6"	6th
Long Jump	Landon Davis	19'1.25"	5th
Triple Jump	Landon Davis	40'4"	1st
Shot Put	Erik Torres	44'9.5"	4th
Discus	Erik Torres	122'11"	6th
Javelin	Brett McVey	148'4"	3rd

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SHOCKER PRE-STATE CHALLENGE

4x800m Relay ELITE	Justin Boswell	9:22.26	8th
	William Enfield		
	Nicholas Sears		
	Frank Cuevas		
100m Dash	Trever Powell	11.80	6th
400m Dash	Trever Powell	52.71	3rd
800m Run	Frank Cuevas	2:10.07	6th
1600m Run	Frank Cuevas	4:43.82	1st
3200m Run	Frank Cuevas	*10:17.42	1st
110m Hurdles	Payton Miller	19.36	6th
Pole Vault	Payton Miller	10'6"	3rd
Discus	Erik Torres	*132'2"	5th



At the South Gray track meet held on April 25, freshman Frank Cuevas begins the last lap of his 800m race. Cuevas ran a first place time of 2:08.20, setting a new meet record. Cuevas holds the KCHS 800m record. **Photo by Heidee P.**



Freshman William Enfield competes in the 100m dash at the first track meet of the year, Minneola. Banman has also competed in the 200m dash and the 4x100m Sprint Medley throughout the season. **Photo by Marissa K.**



After clearing the height, sophomore Dylan Jacks throws his pole for a clean vault. At the South Gray track meet, Jacks placed sixth with a height of 8-06.00. **Photo by Heidee P.**

[GOLF]

By John Colclazier

SOUTH CENTRAL VARSITY
Cole Kendall - 43

LARNED VARSITY
Cole Kendall - 101
John Colclazier - 94

CIMARRON
Cole Kendall - 47

KINSLEY JR VARSITY
James Little - 55
Ian Hess - 81d

[VOCAL CONCERT]

By Corbin VandenHoek

On Monday, Apr.15, the Kiowa County vocal and band students all gathered in the gym to perform their last concert of the year and the senior's last performance before graduation. To start off the night, freshman Mackenzie Kendall played a piano piece called Solfeggietto by Carl Philipp Emanuel Bach.

The large choir started their section singing Down by the Riverside arranged Beery and Lee and City Called Heaven arranged by Poelinitz. The later song featured senior Lillian Hinshaw and sophomore Aubrey VandenHoek as soloists.

Next up was a double trio, featuring sophomores Shayna Lingafelter, Kaitlin Ross, junior Maddie Cannon, seniors Lexi Behee, Charity Schmidt and Patty Torres. This group performed Boy Blue, arranged by Miller.

The first soloist of the night was junior Jessie Williams who rocked the traditional version of Amazing Grace, getting loud cheers from the entire audience. "I felt really nervous and happy. I was surprised, I didn't know everybody would like the solo and I thought I would mess up," stated Williams.

The next group was the ladies ensemble singing Skye Boat Song, arranged by Gilpin.

Our second soloist of the night was Torres. Torres performed Follow the Drinking Gourd arranged by Althouse.

To continue on the night was a trio, including Hinshaw, VandenHoek and fellow classmate, sophomore Natalie Stewart. They performed The Ballad at the Garden arranged by Snyder

Hinshaw stayed up in front of the audience to start the next performance in which she sang a solo, Sometimes I Feel like a Motheless Child arranged by Hogan.

The select choir class was up next. This is a group of 11 girls that take an extra hour of choir to work on smaller, different pieces for their performances. This night they performed a piece called Irish Ballad, arranged by J. Eilers.



The song is about a young man who leaves his love in Ireland to come to Kansas and make a home for them. While he's here, he catches scarlet fever and dies.

To end the choir for night,

all the girls of the choir performed a traditional African song called Bonse Aba, arranged by Victor C. Johnson. This song featured band student, junior Justin Hall, senior Emily Sarber and Williams as percussionist.



The high school band continued the night by starting off with a song called Down a Country Lane, arranged by Patterson. Canto, by Francis McBeth, was the next song the band performed.

After these two songs, Ms. Mullender stepped down to notice the soloist who took pieces to state band festival. Sophomore McKenzie Heft was the only one who took a piece. Heft received a II rating. Junior Hannah Brown was scheduled to go, but was ill on the contest day. Mullender then joined the students to finish out the night. Two pep songs were up next on the program

Tommy – Part Three, arranged by Bocook was the third piece the band played and they concluded the night with the good of KCHS Fight Song, with the crowd standing to cheer and clap along with the students. *Photos by Payton M.*



State Vocal Results

Ladies Choir I, I, I
Trio - I
Double Trio - I

Ladies Ensemble - I
Select Choir - I
Natalie Solo - I

[ART DISPLAY]

By Kayleen Stevens



Freshman Stephanie Gwin



Junior Sydney Headrick



Junior Sam Gwin



Junior Jasmine Williams

Art students of Ms. Cheryl Richard traveled to the Fort Hays State University High School Art Exhibition on April 16. This is an annual trip for the classes, allowing them to showcase their talents while receiving helpful critiques from university personnel. All of the entries were judged on their artistic quality.

The following students were recognized for their outstanding work and received a Certificate of Merit:

Miranda Kimble - Acrylic Painting; Charity Schmidt - Acrylic Painting; Heather Melton - Scratchboard Drawing and Portrait Pencil Drawing; Morgan Powell - Scratchboard Drawing; Natalie Stewart - Portrait Collage Painting and

Scratchboard Drawing; Riann Heft - Scratchboard Drawing; Justin Boswell - Scratchboard Drawing and Acrylic Landscape Painting; Erik Torres - Scratchboard Drawing; Morgen Ulrich - Colored Pencil Portrait Drawing, Scratchboard Drawing, Portrait Pencil Drawing, Watercolor Still Life Painting, Acrylic Figure Painting and Ceramic Slab Pitcher; Jessica Turner - Scratchboard Drawing; Janessa Zenger - Scratchboard Drawing; Samantha Gwin - Scratchboard Drawing; Sydney Headrick - Scratchboard Drawing and Ceramic Coil Platter; Mackenzie Kendall - Ceramic Slab Vase; Marissa Kendall - Ceramic Wheel Thrown Bowl.

[JARED ESTES]

By Heidee Prosser

On Friday, April 4 KCHS students were taken out to the staff parking lot to watch a roll over simulation put on by the county police department. To show the significance of wearing a seatbelt, the officers left the dummies inside the truck with the belts on for one example and without them for another. When the seatbelts were on, the dummies stayed in the vehicle throughout all the trucks rolls. Without the seatbelts, it only took two rolls before both of the dummies were thrown from the vehicle. The officer shared a story of a group of teenagers getting in a wreck and the one who walked away with hardly a scratch had worn their seatbelt while his friends, who had been unbelted, were either killed or in critical condition at the hospital afterwards.

Following the demonstration, the stu-

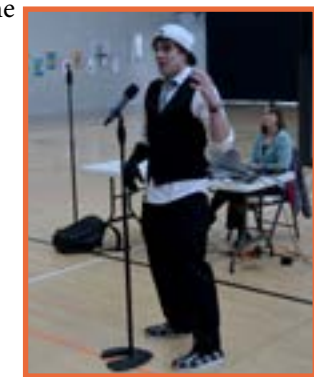
dents were seated in the auxiliary gym to listen to guest speaker Jared Estes, graduate of Bucklin High School. Estes told the students that he did not come to the school to give advice or to lecture them, but to tell them his story.

Jared and Paige Estes, newlyweds of six months, were on their way home from a Wichita Thunder hockey game when a car slammed into them on the highway. The Estes' were with two other friends, one was trapped with J. Estes in the car, his wife and other friend were thrown from the vehicle after the impact. A witness of the accident pulled over and was able to help J. Estes out of the car and the friend in the back was also able to get out. Although Estes didn't realize it at the time, his body was 40% burnt after being in the fiery vehicle. J. Estes wanted to look for his wife,

but before he could find her the first responders had him loaded into the ambulance to get him to the hospital as fast as possible. J. Estes told the students that he was thrashing around so much wanting to go look for his wife that his skin was peeling off with every move he made. The doctors told him that his wife was fine, and J. Estes claimed that by saying this they saved his life.

J. Estes spent two weeks in a coma after the accident. When he finally woke up, all he wanted to do was see his wife and talk to her. It was his dad who finally broke the news to him. His wife of just a few months had not survived the accident. J. Estes told the students about how low his spirits became and how at one point he had not wanted to even live.

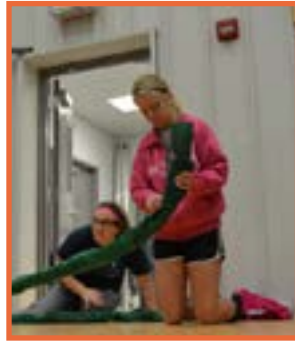
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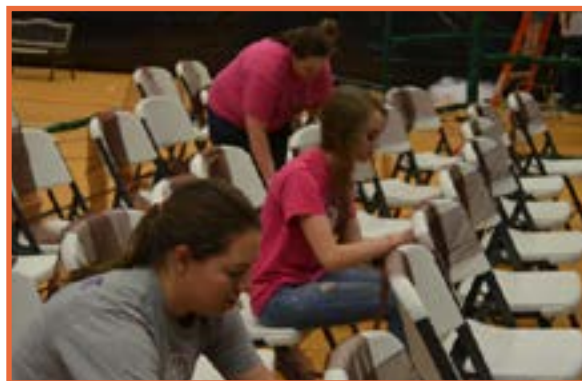
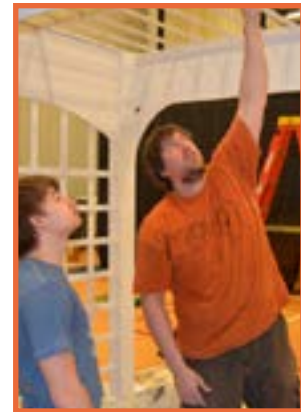
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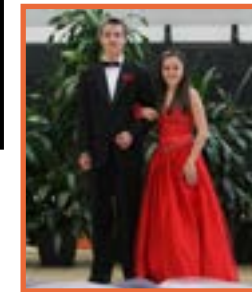
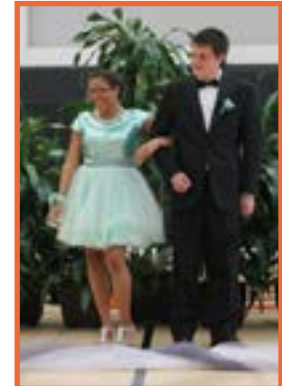
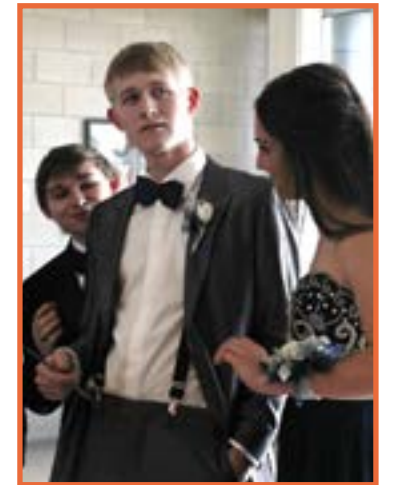
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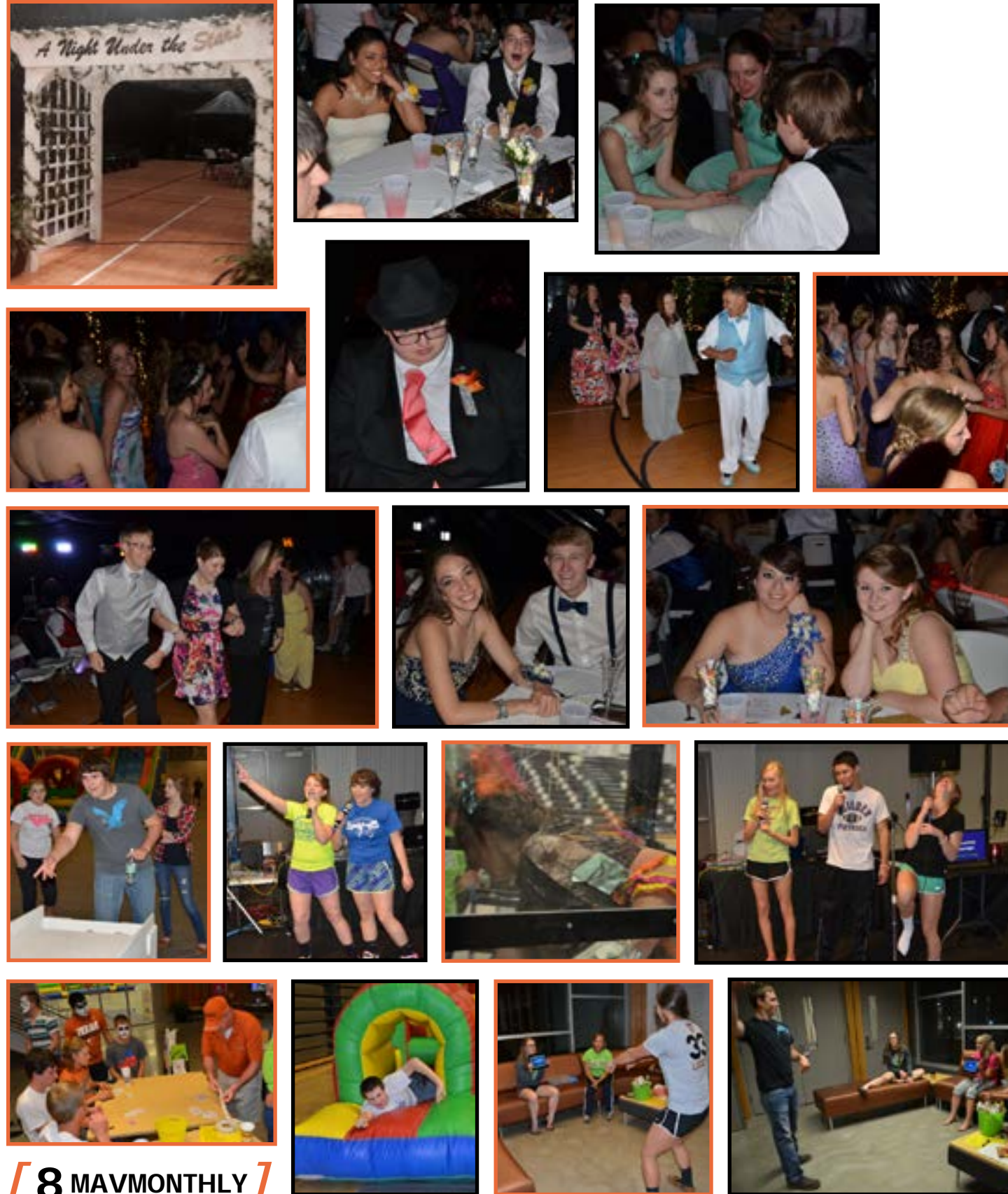


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A NIGHT UNDER THE STARS DINNER DANCE AFTER PROM



[MEXICO BOUND]

[EXPERIENCING A NEW CULTURE]

An Editorial by Marissa Kendall

On Saturday, Mar. 15 at 5:15 in the morning, 20 high school students and nine adults met at the Haviland Friends Church. With anticipation and excitement filling the room everyone joined hands. "God, help us to travel safe, to love each other and to show your love to everyone around us in Mexico," Youth Pastor Josiah Williams prayed. After months of preparing, the Haviland Friends Youth Group was finally heading to Nueva Rosita, Couhila! The team had held a dinner, worked concession stands and put a lot of hard work and time into raising money to go to Mexico.

When the team arrived in Mexico the next day, they jumped right into a church service. The pastor of Iglesia Amigos, Sergio Reyes, welcomed the Haviland church along with the other church groups that are a part of EFC-MAYM. Each group was called to the front of the church and prayed over by the whole church body. From there youth church group and was sent out to a different town in Couhila. The Haviland team stayed in Nueva Rosita and worked on projects the whole week. These included painting the church inside and out, putting in doors, cabinets, a ceiling and mixing and pouring cement. Two of the days they were in Nueva Rosita the students held VBS for the kids of the church. Parents and teens also came to help and hung out with the team.

"I was most excited to see the different culture, and how they worshiped. And I would say that I was most nervous about the food! I was afraid that I wouldn't like it, but it was delicious!" stated sophomore Kelsi Francis. A group of ladies from the church came every day from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. to prepare wonderful lunches and dinners for the group. The group also ate at a popular restaurant Jugos, while in

Nueva Rosita. Different tacos and drinks were prepared and handed out to each of the students at the restaurant. A fun tradition that the team has is seeing how many tacos you can eat in one night. Senior Corbin VandenHoek broke the record with 28 tacos!

The group went to several church services around the Nueva Rosita area, and one specific service had a strong impact on the kids. The pastor asked two students from Haviland if they would be willing to give their testimony (how a person sees God at work). Sophomore Natalie Stewart and freshman LaChelle Tuttle boldly took the challenge. "When I was asked if I would like to share my testimony for the first time, I really felt God calling me to do something" said Tuttle, "and that's what I had been waiting for, for so long. So I decided to take that opportunity. I am very glad that I did."

Another huge part of the trip was staying in the host homes. The students were divided into groups of three or four and sent out to stay in homes of the people from the church. Most of the hosts did not speak any English, but were very willing to communicate in any way that they could. Many of the families gave up their own beds for members of the team. Wonderful relationships were built with the host families and many of the students still keep in touch through Facebook.

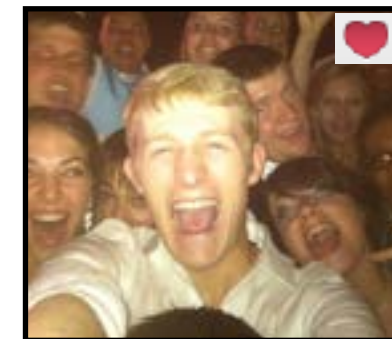
The trip opened up the opportunity for different foods to be tried, fun places to be visited, ways to serve, and new friendships to be built. HFC students were also able to see how another culture worships the God of the Bible. This trip changed many hearts and lives and was an experience none of them will ever forget.

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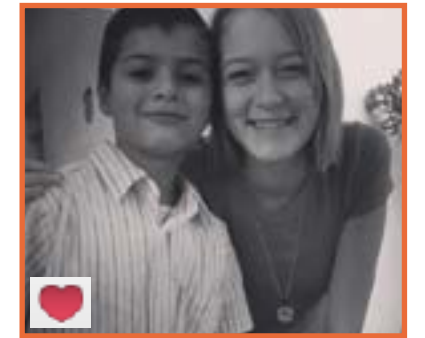
By Marissa Kendall



28 likes
 morgen_alexis God has a plan for all of us, and Jared is a perfect example of this. Even through all of his pain, he has managed to maintain a positive outlook on life and I admire him for his strength and his faith. I teared up a little listening to you, and I am thankful that I have had the opportunity to experience your amazing story! Thank you, Jared ❤️



105 likes
 corbmiester But first... Let me take a selfie. #letmetakease selfie #prom #prom2014 #kchs



43 likes
 amvhoek13 My heart is stuck in Mexico. I don't know what to do when I am here without them. Please let me go back. ❤️

[MONTHLY POLL]

FAVORITE BOOK SERIES

By Jansen Miller



This month we surveyed the high school students and what their favorite book series was. The three choices were Divergent, Hunger Games and Harry Potter. When the results came back the winning book series was The Hunger Games.

“Mourn the losses, for they are many. But celebrate the victories, for they are few.” - Sharon Gless

[ESTES CONT.]

When J. Estes was able to make it out and visit his deceased wife’s burial spot, her brother and sister came and saw him there. When he saw the kids, he had an epiphany. If it had been them who were in his place, he would want them to come back even stronger than before the accident. He realized that his attitude on everything had to change in order for things to start looking up, and that has made all the difference.

J. Estes is back in full swing and has just recently quit his DJ job to be a speaker to students around the country, feeling that it was his calling. Physically, J. Estes is strong once again and enjoys running marathons. In memory of his wife, he started the Paige Estes Memorial Foundation and anyone who would like to donate to it can either send it to PEMF – 12448 Warrior Road, Kingsdown KS 67842, or at paigeestes.com. The money is put towards an annual street dance, golf tournament and a bowling tournament to help with fundraising for many of his and Paige’s favorite charities and projects. These include S.A.D.D., The Via Christi Burn Center, The Children’s Miracle Network, The DUI Victim Center, outpatient rehabilitation and many more.

[FORENSICS]

By Miranda Kimble

On April 2, Coach Kim McMurry picked her A-team and headed to the SPIAA League Forensics Tournament in South Central to compete. Out of the 20 KCHS entries, eight Maverick events broke into the final round. Sophomores Aubrey VandenHoek and Natalie Stewart placed fifth with their Duet. VandenHoek also placed second in her Serious Solo, while Stewart placed second in IDA with senior John Colclazier. Senior Lillian Hinshaw and Colclazier took fourth in Duet Acting, and Hinshaw placed fourth in Serious Solo. Junior Aaric Kipp took fifth in Extemporaneous

[FCA CONFERENCE]

by Payton Miller

Ten students that participate in Fellowship of Christian Athletes took a trip to Rock Springs, Kansas for the spring conference on the weekend of the fifth and sixth. The students left around five-thirty from Greensburg and drove about three and a half hours to reach their destination.

The students get placed into groups or what they call there huddles each huddle is also provided with a huddle leader who is usually a college student who wants kids to strengthen their relationship with god. The students compete in various sporting events like football, soccer, basketball and long base to win a trophy at the end of the weekend, that trophy being a towel with the year and the motto for FCA that year.

The motto for this year came from Hebrews 10:39 and it meant to be relentless.

While the students aren’t participating in a sporting event they are reading scriptures, going over lessons and learning about the word of god. All the students come together on Saturday night to have a giant chapel. Freshman Mackenzie Kendall says this was her favorite part of the FCA conference. They worship and have a guest speaker preach a lesson during the night. The guest speaker was Cameron Mills, a two time NCAA championship winner. He gave a lesson on how you he has broken each of the Ten Commandments along with saying that not everyone can be perfect just live life for God.

[FORENSICS CONT.]

Junior Hannah Brown placed second in Informative Speech to qualify for State Champs, Colclazier took fifth in Informative Speaking and third in Extemporaneous Speaking, senior Lexi Behee placed sixth in Oration, and senior Charity Schmidt placed first in Prose, out of 46 total prose entries, to qualify or State Champs. The Mavericks earned second place team honors out of 21 total teams competing.

On April 14, the KC forensics students competed in their last meet of the season at Bucklin. Four of the squad’s 24 entries made it to the final round. West placed sixth in Prose, qualifying for state festival, while Colclazier placed sixth in Extemporaneous Speaking. Schmidt took third place in Serious Solo, and freshman Alli Hosheit earned a silver medal in Poetry, to qualify for State Champs. Overall, the Mavericks placed second out of 17 teams at Bucklin.

“This has been an amazing season, and I’m very proud of everyone on my team,” said Coach McMurry. “Not only have they brought a lot of talent and dedication to preparing their competition pieces, but they have also assisted me with organizing and hosting two successful home tournaments in February and with managing the SPIAA Tournament at South Central in April. Additionally, when



The forensics team poses for a silly photo after their third place finish in the SPIAA League Meet. *Courtesy Photo*

they aren’t rehearsing their own state-qualified events, they are performing all sorts of important behind-the-scenes duties to help me with managing the 2A State Championship Forensics Tournament at Bishop Carroll High School in Wichita on Saturday, May 3. This is an enormous undertaking and would not be possible without the help of my students and the support of their parents. I look forward to finding out how well we stack up as a team against the other 2A schools in the state.”

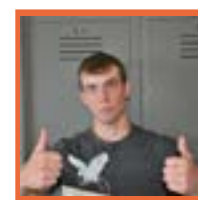
The following students will perform at the State Forensics Festival at Wichita East on Saturday, May 3: Tierra West – Prose, Marissa Kendall – Prose & Poetry, Maddi Brensing – Poetry, LaChelle Tuttle – Poetry, West & Tuttle – Improvisational Duet Acting.

The State Championship Tournament team is as follows: Charity Schmidt – Prose, Alli Hosheit – Poetry, Lillian Hinshaw – Serious Solo, Hinshaw & John Colclazier – Duet Acting, Colclazier & Natalie Stewart – Improvisational Duet Acting, Aubrey VandenHoek – Serious Solo, Stewart & VandenHoek – Duet Acting, Miranda Kimble – Serious Solo, Emily Sarber & Sammy Cervantes – Improvisational Duet Acting, Hannah Brown – Informative Speaking.

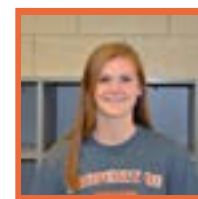
[INTERVIEW]

By Payton Miller

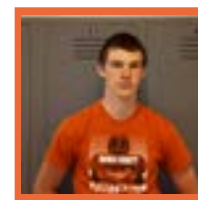
If you could have anything in the world what would it be and why?



Happiness because it’s the best. Also, coffee would be nice.
- **Lance R., jr.**



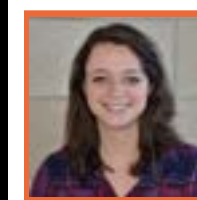
I would own Disney World so I can ride the rides whenever I wanted to for free and live in the castle.
- **Janessa Z., fr.**



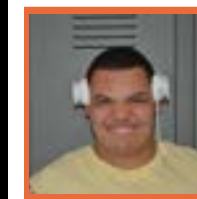
I would want an unlimited amount of money resources so I could become an inventor and make my own firearms for a hobby.
- **Brett M., so.**

[SENIOR LAST WORDS]

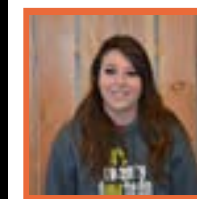
By Corbin VandenHoek



“Pay attention to the small details in everything, your schoolwork and your life in general. You never know how much the little things matter until you’re tested on them.” - **Lillian Hinshaw**



“Be chill, lay low and don’t procrastinate.”
- **Michael Tedder**



“Don’t procrastinate. It will come back and haunt you. BOO!”
- **Patty Torres**

[CAMERA ROLL]



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[TWEETS OF THE WEEKS]

By Heidee Prosser

it's 4:30am and I'm up to go to a track meet and I'm not even mad. #letsgo #kchst&f

- **Jansen Miller, so.** (@jansenmiller11)

I totally have a herd of butterflies in my tummy!! #nervous #prom

- **Sydney Headrick, jr.** (@Sydneyk53)

s/o to @JaredEstes25 for being an amazing speaker. thanks for coming and sharing your amazing story.

- **McKenzie Heft, so.** (@kenzieleigh_22)

so excited to finish decorating for prom. it's gonna be sweet

- **Hannah Brown, jr.** (@hannahbrown)

I see all the tweets about track records and I'm here like I just got 8th at a jv golf meet! #mavericknation - **James Little, fr.** (@Little1James)

[VIDEO OF THE MONTH]

By John Colclazier



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